

HO-408
Sapling Range
Glenelg
Private

1744/1800/1864

This house is constructed in three sections and features an old eighteenth century, two bay wide, one room deep, two story high, rectangular, gabled roof, log house, which features a wide exterior stone and brick chimney. This is joined to the front section of the house by a four bay wide, three bay deep, two story high, intersecting gable (running east-west) frame and log section. The front is a five bay wide, one room deep, two and a half story high, gabled roof (running north-south) frame west wing, whose west facade features a central rectangular, open bible and cross paneled entrance, flanked by three vertical side lights and surmounted by a five light transom. This entrance is covered by a one story high, hipped roof, open porch with central raised pediment, which runs along the entire west elevation and is held by wooden posts, decorated by scrolled brackets. The barge boards at a central intersecting gable, which holds a five light fan-light, are decorated with a row of dentils, beneath which runs sharply edged chevron molding. This stylistic detail is repeated in the barge boards of the side gables and the pediment of the porch, as well as along the cornices of both the one story high open porch and the gable roof line of the west elevation.

Located on Sapling Range, patented in 1744 by Henry Ridgely, it passed into the Dorsey and Owings families.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

HO- 408
Dist. 5
MAGI # 1404085104

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Sapling Range

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 14831 Triadelphia Road

CITY, TOWN

Glenelg

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

21737

COUNTY

Howard

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Dr. Charles R. Goshen

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

14831 Triadelphia Road

CITY, TOWN

Glenelg

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21737**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.Hall of Records
Tax Map 27, p. 93
Liber #: 854
Folio #: 644

STREET & NUMBER

Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1978-1979

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SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

21 State Circle, Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Sapling Range faces west on the east side of Triadelphia Road. It is a rectangular, one bay wide, one room deep, two story high, gabled roof (running east-west) log structure, now resting on a stone foundation, with wide stone and brick exterior chimney centered on its east wall.

The interior features a wide cooking fireplace, with new facing on the east wall, enclosed staircase on the west wall and wide random width floor boards on its second floor, where the building's original hand hewn log construction is completely exposed. Along the south elevation of this original log structure runs a one story high, shed roofed, enclosed vestibule. Three wooden steps lead to its south rectangular entrance, east of which is located a rectangular one-over-one light, double-hung window.

The north wall of the log kitchen holds a first floor, rectangular, double-hung window holding six-over-six lights and a one-one light rectangular second floor window.

An interior west entrance leads from the log kitchen to the base of the "T" shaped, 1800 base log section and 1864 frame dwelling unit, constructed from the log building's west wall. This 1864 structure is a five bay wide, one room deep, two and a half story high, gabled roof (running north-south) frame (covered with German siding) house with square brick chimneys inset into its north and south walls and a central intersecting gable (running east-west) on its west facade, holding a five light fan light.

A one story high, open porch with central pediment runs along the west facade of the building, held by four square posts and two pilasters, decorated by scrolled brackets. Three wide steps lead to its landing and the rectangular, open bible and cross paneled door, flanked by three vertical side lights and surmounted by a five light transom. Two rectangular double-hung windows, holding six-over-six lights rest on either side of the central entrance. Five similar, vertically aligned and proportionally scaled windows rest above. Windows are flanked by flat pilasters, underlined by flat wooden sills, surmounted by flat wood lintels and decorated with shutters. The central intersecting gable holds a five light attic fan light.

The south elevation of the front section of the building's complex holds a first floor window, similar to those already described and two four light attic windows. The cornice along the gable roof is decorated with a row of dentils beneath which lies a sharply cut chevron molding.

This detail is carried in the cornices along both the intersecting central gable on the west elevation and the central pediment of the one

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story high open porch, running along the south elevation. The cornices of both the porch and the roofline of the west elevation feature identical stylistic detail, which creates, with the scrolled brackets holding the supporting posts for the porch, a lacy effect.

The north elevation of the front section of the house holds no apertures except a central, square, four light attic casement window.

The central 1800 log section, which connects the eighteenth century log house to the front section of the house was constructed in two sections, a three bay wide, one room deep, two story high section with an additional west bay added later, probably at the same time as the front sections. This mid section extended west from the west wall of the log kitchen and held a central, rectangular south entrance, which is now blocked in, flanked by rectangular, double-hung windows, holding six-over-six lights which remain. Three similar windows on the second floor, but holding two-over-two lights rest above. A wide brick chimney is centered into its east wall, of which a third takes up a hall (running east-west) which runs from the eighteenth century log kitchen section to the end of the house, now acting as a connector between the front section of the house and the log section. It holds a staircase along the west side of its north wall. An open Bible and cross paneled, north, batten wood door rests on the east side of the staircase, with a six-over-six light double-hung window, lying east of this north entrance.

Above on the second floor of this north wall rests a two-over-two light rectangular window on the east side and a six-over-six light rectangular window on the west side, a one story high, shed roofed semi-enclosed porch (enclosed on the west) runs along this north elevation.

Interestingly, a space of one bay lies between this 1800 log mid section and the front section of the house and holds an intersecting hall (running north-south) with a south rectangular, open bible and cross paneled entrance, which leads on to the one story high, shed roofed, open porch, which runs along the entire south elevation of this mid-section of the house. It is supported by three square posts. Six wide stone steps lead up to the west side of this porch and the south entrance, previously mentioned, which serves the intersecting passage (running north-south). This passage appears to have been constructed with the front of the house for it leads down a step to the log mid section of the house.

The building is in excellent condition and is surrounded by interesting auxiliary buildings. A one story high, gabled roof (running east-west) stone smoke house lies northeast of the house and holds an old hogshead which held tobacco. Such barrels were rolled on rolling roads to Elkridge Landing for export to England. An old gabled roof tool shed, resting on a stone foundation lies at the southeast corner and an old chestnut beam, pegged barn lies south.

The two log sections of the house are dated, 1744 and 1800, respectively, while the front section dates from 1864.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1744/1800/1864 BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Sapling Range was a land grant of 225 acres taken out in 1744 by Henry Ridgely, who in his will of 1749 gave it along with "Broken Land" and Cooper's Lot to his son Henry. Mention is made that Mr. Philemon Dorsey was to assign him lands on Sapling Range.

The present log house, called Sapling Range, to which was added an 1800-1864 "T" shaped west wing of considerable dimensions, stands on land once a part of this land grant. In 1976 the Howard County Bicentennial Commission issued the owners of the house an Historic House Plaque and designated it one of Howard County's historic landmarks.

Architecturally, the building is significant to Howard County and the State of Maryland as an example of eighteenth century log construction, to which was later added a "T" shaped west wing in the nineteenth century. The original log construction has been covered on the exterior by frame siding but its log construction is revealed along the west wall of its enclosed staircase and around the perimeter of its second floor sleeping loft. Wide floor boards are also found in the loft some ten inches wide.

From 1800-64 the "T" section was added to the house. It is another basic example of a five bay wide, one room deep, two and a half story high, gabled roof, featuring central intersecting gable, frame house, resting on a stone foundation, with additional central bay, two story high, intersecting gable roof, log, dining room-hall section forming a "T" plan.

Numerous examples are found of log buildings which have been enlarged in various ways. Grimmet's Chance was constructed in an I plan, while others follow an "L" or "T" plan. The significance of them all is that buildings constructed solidly were retained and used when larger buildings were required by their owners. Often, as in this case, they have become the kitchen unit for the house, but equally often they become living rooms or dens, such as we find in Grimmet's Chance and Hobbs Regulation.

Historically, the house is significant as a page of local history, located on a part of Sapling Range, patented by Henry Ridgely in 1744. It is said by the family of the present owners to have early passed into the Dorsey Family. By the mid-nineteenth century the Owings family had acquired the property. On May 29, 1885, Samuel O. Dorsey, Roderick Dorsey, Nicholas Dorsey, Gustavus W. Dorsey and Sophia Dorsey conveyed

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the property to L.J.G. Owings and his wife, Maria, who was the daughter of Samuel Owings Dorsey and Mary Riggs Griffith.

The following history on the "Dorseys of Upper Howard," written in J. D. Warfield's book, Founders of Anne Arundel and Howard Counties, mentions this family on page 464:

Nicholas Dorsey (of Henry and Elizabeth) took up lands in the neighborhood of Shafersville and Poplar Spring. He married Lucy Belt Sprigg: issue, Dr. Frederick Dorsey, of Hagerstown; Roderick, Dennis, and Samuel Dorsey

Dennis Dorsey (of Nicholas) - Maria Owings (of Samuel). Issue, Samuel Owings Dorsey, Gustavus, Roderick and Nicholas Dorsey, the bachelor. Samuel Owings Dorsey-Mary Riggs Griffith; issue, Colonel Gustavus Dorsey, C.S.A.-Margaret Owens; Maria-L.J.G. Owings; Carrie-Richard Dorsey; Samuel and Mary G. Dorsey. Their homestead is upon "Griffith's Range," in Montgomery."

The fact that their home was in Montgomery County would lead to a belief that Maria and her husband, L.J.G. Owings constructed the front section of the house, which had formerly been used as a tenant farm for the owners of the property.

The 1878 Hopkin's Atlas notes the house and 330 acres as the residence of L.J.G. Owings. It is probable that the house in its present form was constructed then and was later fully deeded over to Maria and L.J.G. in 1885, for \$3,873.25 (99-371).

Owned recently by Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. McFann, it was sold in 1977 to Dr. Charles Robert Goshen, who makes his residence here.

The house is exceptionally fine with a west facade which features a central rectangular entrance, flanked by side lights and surmounted by a transom, all of which is covered by a one story high open porch with central pediment, emphasizing the entrance.

A fine example of Victorian architecture, as well as eighteenth century vernacular log architecture, Sapling Range should be placed on the National Register of Historic Places, the State Critical Areas Program and any local landmark ordinance the residents of Howard County may seek to initiate, should its owner so desire.

NOTE: In a brief interview with Mrs. McFann, the previous owner, the fact that the house remained in the Dorsey-Owings family for several generations was brought out. Lloyd and Sue Owings, who sold the house to Mr. and Mrs. McFann have an 1850 Survey of the property outlining the orchards, with every tree designated, as well as the 1744 and 1800 log house and its outbuildings.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Interview with Dr. and Mrs. Ernest Goshen, July 2, 1979, at Sapling Range.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 19.41 acres

Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map 27

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records, Liber 854 Folio 644

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE Maryland COUNTY Howard

STATE _____ COUNTY _____

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

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Office of Planning & Zoning-Comprehensive Planning Section

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Ellicott City

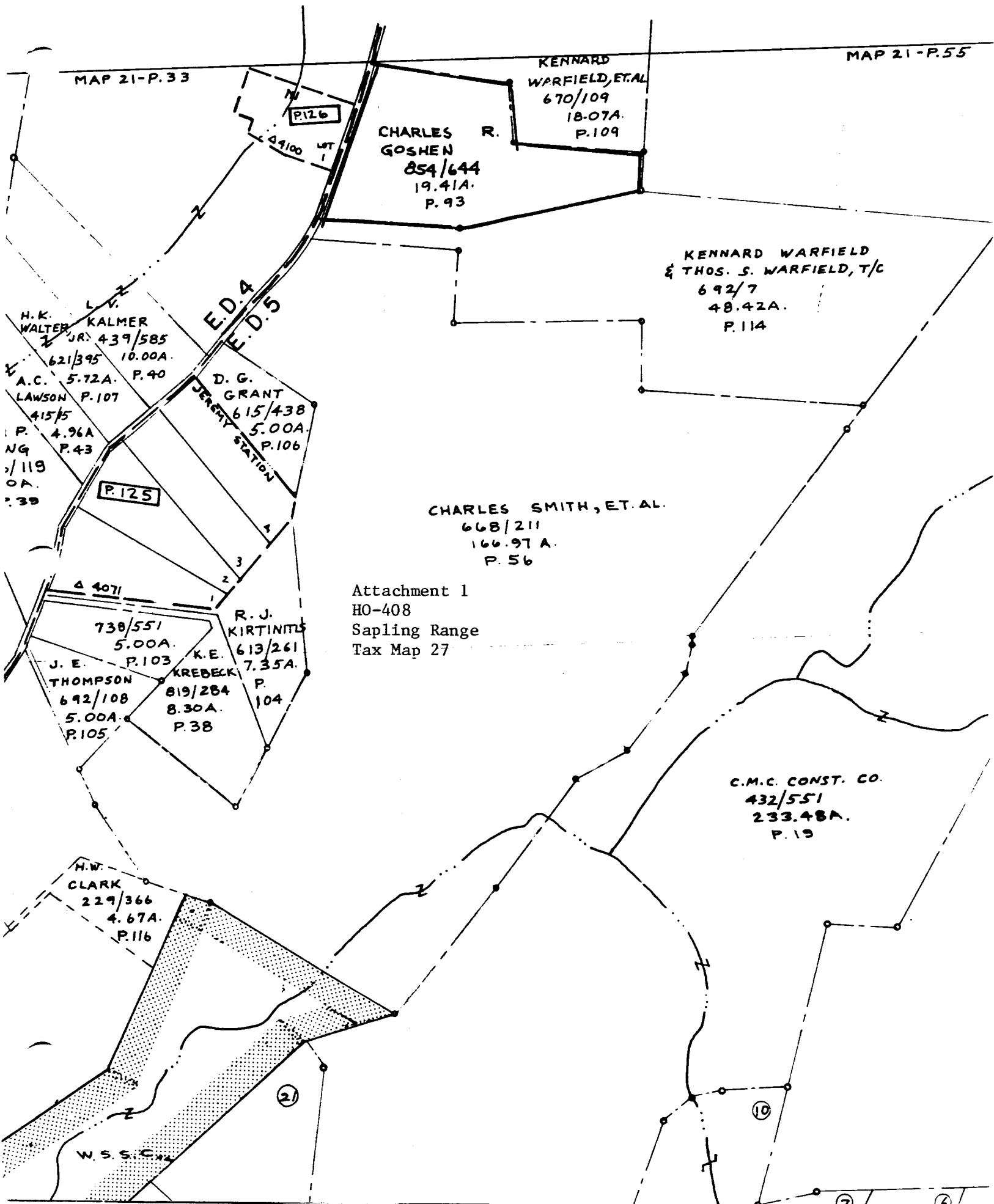
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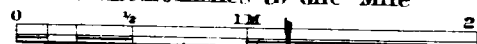
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Sapling Range
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Attachment 3
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Sapling Range
Hopkin's Atlas of 1878

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HOWARD COUNTY

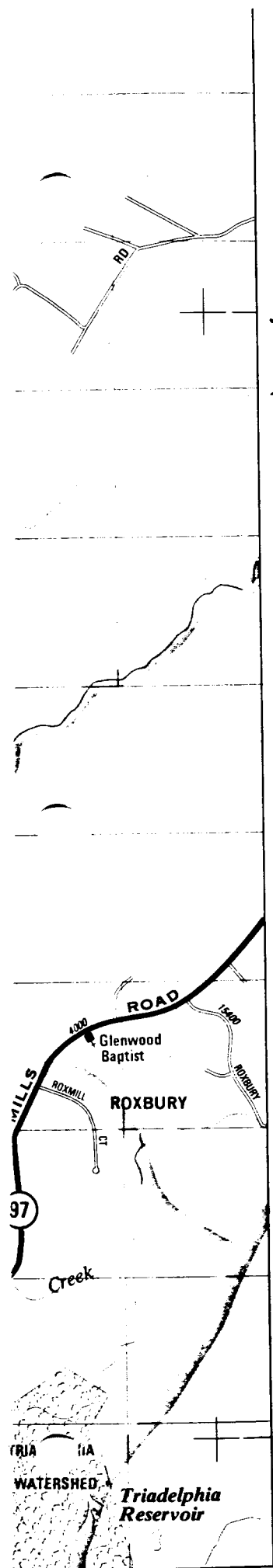
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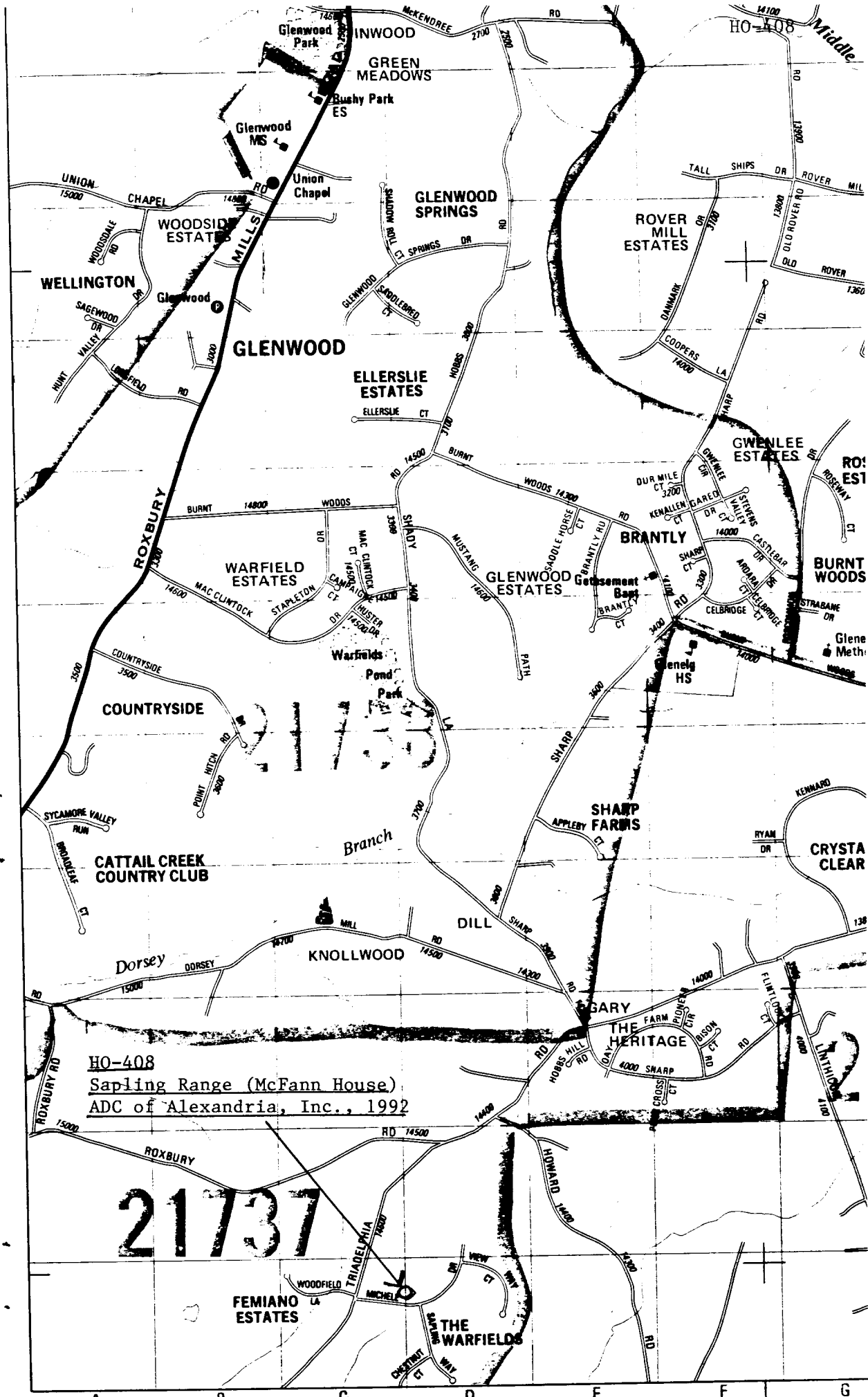
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Sapling Range (McFann House)
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MARYLAND

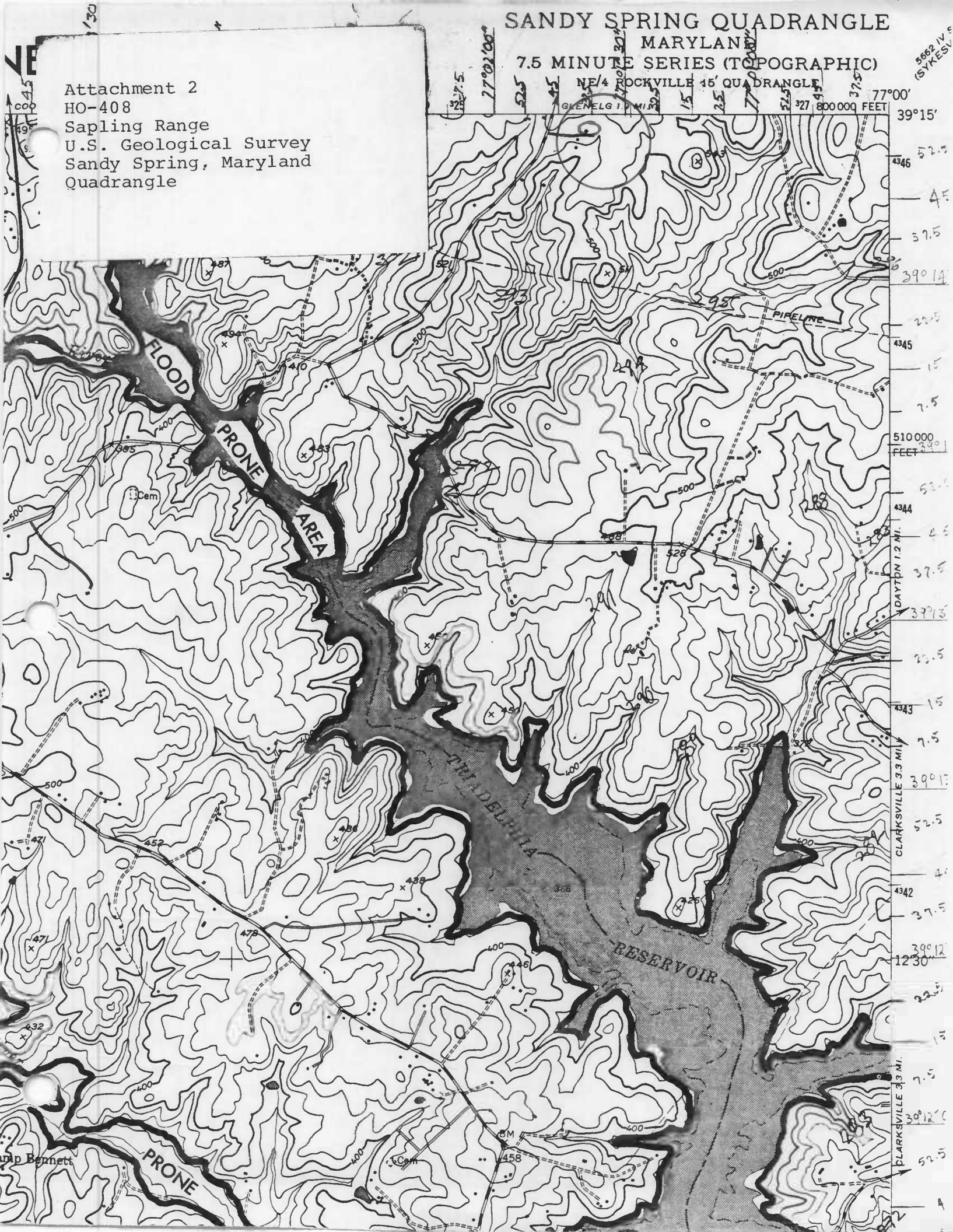
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Attachment 2
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Sapling Range
U.S. Geological Survey
Sandy Spring, Maryland
Quadrangle





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SAPLING RANGE

SOUTH WEST

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